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Tax bills impacted by voter-approved levies Affect of reappraisal decreased by House Bill 920 reduction factors

Franklin County Auditor Joe Testa today warned that tax bills payable during 2006 will be sharply higher for many property owners following voter approval of more than 15 different tax levies set for collection beginning in January.

"Property owners or their mortgage companies will soon be receiving Tax Year 2005 bills from County Treasurer Richard Cordray," Testa said. "The bills in many areas have increased greatly; for the most part, the tax levies voters approved in 2005 are to be collected beginning in 2006."

"Where voters approved larger levies, such as school or safety services issues, residents will notice a greater increase in their property taxes for Tax Year 2005," Testa said.

Testa said the impact of the 2005 countywide property reappraisal is limited by state law (House Bill 920) that lowers the collected tax rate on voted levies.

For example, the average-valued home in the City of Columbus/Columbus Schools increased in value by about 19.7% from \$93,312 to \$111,778. The tax bill for this property would show a 3% increase, or \$46.70 annually. This increase in tax includes additional millage approved by voters for a countywide zoo replacement levy.

Areas that will see large tax increases include properties in the Dublin City Schools (7.90-mill levy), South-Western City Schools (9.70-mill levy), and Grandview Heights Schools (9.5-mill levy).

For additional information, property owners may contact the Franklin County Auditor's Real Estate Division at 462-HOME (4663) or visit the Auditor's Office online at www.franklincountyauditor.com.

District 010 - City of Columbus/Columbus Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	93,312	111,778	18,466	19.79%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 260.62</u>	<u>\$ 312.20</u>	<u>\$ 51.58</u>	<u>3.24%</u>
Existing Outside	\$ 1,316.97	\$ 1,304.70	\$ (12.27)	
Expiring Outside	\$ 14.51	Replc/Renew Outside ⁽¹⁾ \$ 21.90	\$ 7.39	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -		\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 1,331.48</u>	<u>\$ 1,326.60</u>	<u>\$ (4.88)</u>	<u>-0.31%</u>
	<u>\$ 1,592.10</u>	<u>\$ 1,638.80</u>	<u>\$ 46.70</u>	<u>2.93%</u>

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

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District 020 - City of Bexley/Bexley Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	252,512	293,412	40,900	16.20%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 705.27</u>	<u>\$ 819.50</u>	<u>\$ 114.23</u>	<u>2.02%</u>
Existing Outside	\$ 4,859.67	\$ 4,896.07	\$ 36.40	
Expiring Outside	\$ 93.18	Replc/Renew Outside ⁽¹⁾ \$ 112.01	\$ 18.83	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -		
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 4,952.85</u>	<u>\$ 5,008.08</u>	<u>\$ 55.23</u>	<u>0.98%</u>
	<u>\$ 5,658.12</u>	<u>\$ 5,827.58</u>	<u>\$ 169.46</u>	<u>2.99%</u>

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

City of Bexley 3.40 mill renewal levy

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District 025 - City of Gahanna/Gahanna Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	172,006	201,586	29,580	17.20%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 472.51</u>	<u>\$ 553.77</u>	<u>\$ 81.26</u>	2.51%
Existing Outside	\$ 2,737.05	\$ 2,750.94	\$ 13.89	
Expiring Outside	\$ 26.75	\$ 39.50	\$ 12.75	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 2,763.80</u>	<u>\$ 2,790.44</u>	<u>\$ 26.64</u>	0.82%
	<u>\$ 3,236.31</u>	<u>\$ 3,344.21</u>	<u>\$ 107.90</u>	3.33%

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Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

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District 030 - City of Grandview Heights/Grandview Heights Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	188,280	239,408	51,128	27.16%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 511.45</u>	<u>\$ 650.34</u>	<u>\$ 138.89</u>	3.62%
Existing Outside	\$ 3,293.59	\$ 3,418.29	\$ 124.70	
Expiring Outside	\$ 29.29	\$ 46.91	\$ 17.62	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ 556.25	\$ 556.25	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 3,322.88</u>	<u>\$ 4,021.45</u>	<u>\$ 698.57</u>	18.22%
	<u>\$ 3,834.33</u>	<u>\$ 4,671.79</u>	<u>\$ 837.46</u>	21.84%

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

Grandview Heights Schools 9.50 mill additional levy

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District 060 - City of Reynoldsburg/Reynoldsburg Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	125,720	142,953	17,233	13.71%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 339.59</u>	<u>\$ 386.13</u>	<u>\$ 46.54</u>	1.97%
Existing Outside	\$ 1,946.22	\$ 1,993.71	\$ 47.49	
Expiring Outside	\$ 79.37	\$ 113.46	\$ 34.09	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 2,025.59</u>	<u>\$ 2,107.17</u>	<u>\$ 81.58</u>	3.45%
	<u>\$ 2,365.18</u>	<u>\$ 2,493.30</u>	<u>\$ 128.12</u>	<u>5.42%</u>

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

Truro Township 2.20 mill replacement levy

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District 040 - City of Grove City/SouthWestern Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	141,633	164,469	22,836	16.12%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 378.23</u>	<u>\$ 439.21</u>	<u>\$ 60.98</u>	2.48%
Existing Outside	\$ 2,060.43	\$ 2,106.87	\$ 46.44	
Expiring Outside	\$ 22.03	\$ 32.23	\$ 10.20	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ 426.27	\$ 426.27	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 2,082.46</u>	<u>\$ 2,565.37</u>	<u>\$ 482.91</u>	19.62%
	<u>\$ 2,460.69</u>	<u>\$ 3,004.58</u>	<u>\$ 543.89</u>	<u>22.10%</u>

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

SouthWestern Schools 9.70 mill additional levy

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District 050 - City of Hilliard/Hilliard Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	184,487	212,407	27,920	15.13%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 509.62</u>	<u>\$ 586.75</u>	<u>\$ 77.13</u>	1.90%
Existing Outside	\$ 3,523.12	\$ 3,504.57	\$ (18.55)	
Expiring Outside	\$ 28.70	\$ 41.62	\$ 12.92	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 3,551.81</u>	<u>\$ 3,546.19</u>	<u>\$ (5.63)</u>	-0.14%
	<u>\$ 4,061.43</u>	<u>\$ 4,132.94</u>	<u>\$ 71.50</u>	1.76%

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Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

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District 070 - City of Upper Arlington/Upper Arlington Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	266,721	324,197	57,476	21.55%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 744.95</u>	<u>\$ 905.48</u>	<u>\$ 160.53</u>	2.79%
Existing Outside	\$ 4,963.76	\$ 5,099.02	\$ 135.26	
Expiring Outside	\$ 41.49	\$ 63.52	\$ 22.03	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 5,005.25</u>	<u>\$ 5,162.54</u>	<u>\$ 157.29</u>	2.74%
	<u>\$ 5,750.20</u>	<u>\$ 6,068.02</u>	<u>\$ 317.82</u>	5.53%

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

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District 080 - City of Westerville/Westerville Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	164,720	190,614	25,894	15.72%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 399.53</u>	<u>\$ 462.33</u>	<u>\$ 62.80</u>	1.85%
Existing Outside	\$ 2,973.45	\$ 2,974.73	\$ 1.28	
Expiring Outside	\$ 25.62	\$ 37.35	\$ 11.73	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 2,999.07</u>	<u>\$ 3,012.08</u>	<u>\$ 13.01</u>	0.38%
	<u>\$ 3,398.60</u>	<u>\$ 3,474.41</u>	<u>\$ 75.81</u>	<u>2.23%</u>

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

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District 090 - City of Whitehall/Whitehall Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	86,140	97,635	11,495	13.34%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 240.59</u>	<u>\$ 272.69</u>	<u>\$ 32.10</u>	2.24%
Existing Outside	\$ 1,177.23	\$ 1,164.15	\$ (13.08)	
Expiring Outside	\$ 13.40	\$ 19.13	\$ 5.73	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 1,190.63</u>	<u>\$ 1,183.28</u>	<u>\$ (7.35)</u>	-0.51%
	<u>\$ 1,431.22</u>	<u>\$ 1,455.97</u>	<u>\$ 24.75</u>	<u>1.73%</u>

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Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

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District100 - City of Worthington/Worthington Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	194,245	233,391	39,146	20.15%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 533.60</u>	<u>\$ 641.14</u>	<u>\$ 107.54</u>	2.64%
Existing Outside	\$ 3,504.73	\$ 3,532.83	\$ 28.10	
Expiring Outside	\$ 30.21	\$ 45.73	\$ 15.52	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ 156.98	\$ 156.98	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 3,534.94</u>	<u>\$ 3,735.54</u>	<u>\$ 200.60</u>	4.93%
	<u>\$ 4,068.54</u>	<u>\$ 4,376.68</u>	<u>\$ 308.14</u>	<u>7.57%</u>

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006
Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy
Worthington Public Library 2.60 mill additional levy

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District 184 - Village of Canal Winchester/Canal Winchester Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	160,959	182,632	21,673	13.46%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 447.09</u>	<u>\$ 507.29</u>	<u>\$ 60.20</u>	1.94%
Existing Outside	\$ 2,637.65	\$ 2,728.00	\$ 90.35	
Expiring Outside	\$ 25.04	\$ 35.78	\$ 10.74	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 2,662.69</u>	<u>\$ 2,763.78</u>	<u>\$ 101.09</u>	3.25%
	<u>\$ 3,109.78</u>	<u>\$ 3,271.07</u>	<u>\$ 161.29</u>	<u>5.19%</u>

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Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

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District 222 - Village of New Albany/New Albany-Plain Local Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	543,725	612,268	68,543	12.61%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 1,516.96</u>	<u>\$ 1,708.19</u>	<u>\$ 191.23</u>	1.62%
Existing Outside	\$ 10,167.22	\$ 10,493.97	\$ 326.75	
Expiring Outside	\$ 84.57	\$ 119.96	\$ 35.39	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 10,251.79</u>	<u>\$ 10,613.93</u>	<u>\$ 362.14</u>	3.08%
	<u>\$ 11,768.75</u>	<u>\$ 12,322.12</u>	<u>\$ 553.37</u>	4.70%

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

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District 185- Village of Groveport/Groveport Madison Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	127,009	145,106	18,097	14.25%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 298.34</u>	<u>\$ 340.84</u>	<u>\$ 42.50</u>	1.84%
Existing Outside	\$ 1,992.69	\$ 2,001.78	\$ 9.09	
Expiring Outside	\$ 19.76	\$ 28.43	\$ 8.67	
New Outside ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 2,012.45</u>	<u>\$ 2,030.21</u>	<u>\$ 17.76</u>	0.77%
	<u>\$ 2,310.79</u>	<u>\$ 2,371.05</u>	<u>\$ 60.26</u>	2.61%

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

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District 152 - Village of Obetz/Hamilton Local School District

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	90,018	107,459	17,441	19.38%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 225.23</u>	<u>\$ 268.87</u>	<u>\$ 43.64</u>	2.68%
Existing Outside	\$ 1,317.45	\$ 1,486.57	\$ 169.12	
Expiring Outside	\$ 83.76	\$ 93.97	\$ 10.21	
New Outside	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 1,401.21</u>	<u>\$ 1,580.54</u>	<u>\$ 179.33</u>	11.03%
	<u>\$ 1,626.44</u>	<u>\$ 1,849.41</u>	<u>\$ 222.97</u>	13.71%

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

Hamilton Township 3.00 mill renewal levy

⁽²⁾ Total % increase/decrease may also be affected by the millage rate for voted debt obligations for applicable taxing entities.

District 273 - City of Dublin/Dublin Schools

	TY 2004	TY 2005	Increase/ Decrease	% Incr/Decr from TY 2004 ⁽²⁾
Avg Val Home:	280,706	328,759	48,053	17.12%
Inside (Unvoted) Millage	<u>\$ 698.05</u>	<u>\$ 817.54</u>	<u>\$ 119.49</u>	2.15%
Existing Outside	\$ 4,270.07	\$ 4,382.01	\$ 111.94	
Expiring Outside	\$ 579.08	\$ 691.87	\$ 112.79	
New Outside	\$ -	\$ 678.80	\$ 678.80	
Outside (Voted) Millage	<u>\$ 4,849.15</u>	<u>\$ 5,752.68</u>	<u>\$ 903.53</u>	16.29%
	<u>\$ 5,547.20</u>	<u>\$ 6,570.22</u>	<u>\$ 1,023.02</u>	18.44%

⁽¹⁾ Voted Levies to commence in Tax Year 2005/Collection Year 2006

Franklin County Zoological Park 0.75 mill replacement levy

Dublin City Schools 7.90 mill additional levy

Washington Township 7.25 mill replacement levy

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